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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PINT, GW, US

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT TO US IN APRIL BY HELMUT KOHL

- 1. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM CDU CHAIRMAN KOHL'S OFFICE THAT HE WILL PROBABLY VISIT THE U.S. IN APRIL IN CONNECTION WITH THE BILDEBERG CONFERENCE. KOHL PLANS NO TRIP TO WASHINGTON AND HIS AIDES HAVE SUGGESTED THAT THE REASON IS TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT FOR KOHL OR US AT HIS NOT BEING RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT.
- 2. WE GATHER KOHL WILL ALSO VISIT NEW YORK FOR A MEET-ING WITH AN UNSPECIFIED AMERICAN JEWISH ORGANIZATION.
- 3. WE RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT REVIEW AGAIN THE QUESTION OF WHETHER A MEETING BETWEEN KOHL AND THE PRESIDENT COULD BE ARRANGED. KOHL, WOULD, WE ARE CERTAIN, BE PREPARED TO DETOUR TO WASHINGTON FOR IT.
 WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND SUCH A MEETING AND BELIEVE IT WOULD BE VIEWED AS A NORMAL AND WELCOME EVENT NOT ONLY BY THE OPPOSITION HERE, BUT BY KEY FIGURES IN THE GOVERNING COALITION AS WELL. WE ALSO THINK A MEETING AT THE WHITE HOUSE WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO A LATER MEETING HERE IN TERMS OF OUR POLITICAL CONFIDENTIAL

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